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NEW THEATRE OPENS TONIGHT

Last night the formal dedication of the New DuPont - Laughbon Theatre took place with a private showing of "Anastasia" for administrators of the School Board, teachers, and parents of the members of the cast. Tonight, March 11, the play will be presented to the general public, with a second performance scheduled for tomorrow, March 12th. Curtain time is 8:00 P.M. Tickets, which may be purchased at the door are $1.00 for adults and 75¢ for children.

For the past few months the construction of the Theatre has been the primary project of Thespian Troupe 664 of Laughbon High School and Mr. Larry Zirkle, its director. Three hundred and fifty cushioned theatre seats have been installed on an inclined floor for comfortable and easy viewing of the stage from any part of the theatre. The stage set, complete with chandelier and period furniture was designed by Forrest Romig, a Laughbon student. The Thespian Troupe did the actual construction work. Mr. Zirkle designed and made most of the costumes.

"Anastasia" is a dramatic life story of a Russian Princess in the time of the Bolshevik Revolution. Three of DuPont's young people have leading roles in this most challenging play. Phyllis Taylor, daughter of Sgt and Mrs Taylor of 300 Barksdale Avenue, portrays the principal role of Anastasia. Lois Karnes, daughter of Major and Mrs. K. C. Karnes , of 410 Louviers, plays the Dowager Empress, and Richard Andre, son of Mrs. Stanley Andre of 603 Louviers, plays the part of Prince Paul. Mr. Zirkle did a superb job of directing his young Thespians, and their dramatic presentation of this play is truly worthy of the Grand Opening of the new Theatre.

WEDDING BELLS

Mrs Dora McLean and Mr Hugh Edward Simpson of Port Angeles will be married June 11 at St Andrews Episcopal Church in Port Angeles. Mrs McLean is head of the English Department of the Laughbon High School; is Senior Advisor, and teaches Senior English and Journalism. She came here from Fairbanks, Alaska, where she had been teaching. She has a Master's Degree in English from the University of Alaska. For the past two years she has been living in Steilacoom. Mr Simpson is an Electrical Contractor. Mrs McLean and Mr Simpson are friends of long standing, as they attended the same High School in Vancouver B. C. 38 years ago. The new home will be in Port Angeles, where she expects to continue teaching.

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Walter Smith recently sold his house at 309 Brandywine to Ray Grant. Mr and Mrs Smith have moved to an apartment in Lakewood. Mr and Mrs Grant have moved to the house on Brandywine, and Mr and Mrs David Morgan, son of Mr and Mrs Mervyn Morgan, have moved into the former Grant home. 405 Louviers.

Garden Club

The next regular meeting of the Garden Club will be held this coming Tuesday, Mar 15th at 12:30 at Town Hall. Mesdames John Jafrati, Bruce Ranger, and Marguerite Belford will be hostesses. Bulb planting will be discussed by Mrs L. F. Munyan.

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Jack Heuertz, our Town Clerk, who was hit by a car, is showing some improvement but is still critically ill. It will be some time before he can come home.

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Mr and Mrs Clayton Paine have returned from a four month vacation. They took a camper and followed the fruit harvest in Southern Cal. cutting oranges and tangerines. As she says,"We worked a few days and then played a few days, but made enough to pay our way by harvesting fruit." They spent some time around the Salton Sea, gathering many interesting rocks and shells Being Nature lovers, they enjoyed searching for rocks and curios of the past. They were in the Coachella Valley, but also visited Palm Springs, Palm Desert, and the Parker Dam on the Colorado.

Police Blotter

Ken Karnes.

On February 20th, Dennis Kelly was driving Lonnie Young's 1949 Chev here in the village when two young men stopped him dragged him out of the car, assaulted and robbed him and took the car. He ran home and alerted the authorities. The State Patrol, the Sheriff's Office, and Fort Lewis CID co-operated with the Town Marshal, but the men made their get-away. Not until the following Sunday, Feb 27 was the car found. It had all glass broken, tires slashed, and upholstery ripped apart. So far no clues have been uncovered.

Did you know;- If all of the DuPont residents - including you and me - were killed right now it would be less than half the number who were killed in auto accidents in Washington last year?

Today is the graduation time for the 45th Session of the Washington Law Enforcement Training School. Thirty six Law Officers will go back to serve their communities with a better knowledge of Laws and Techniques to protect our citizens and their property. In addition they also have a renewed dedication to upholding law enforcement for you. Your Marshal is privileged to be one of those 36 men.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Marie Bonner

Throughout the ages March has always been regarded as the month of the Irish. the shamrock, and the 'Wearin' of the Green". This is due to St Patrick's Day which is celebrated on March 17th through out the world, wherever there are Irish people, in honor of the Patron Saint of Ireland. St Patrick's life was full of adventure, including being captured by pirates and sold into slavery. After six years of slavery he escaped and became a monk, and returned to Ireland and worked zealously for the rest of his life at the task of converting the entire Irish people to Christianity. Many legends have grown up about St Patrick, the best known is that he charmed the snakes of Ireland to the seashore, so they were driven into the sea and drowned. To this day there are no snakes in Ireland. Another story is that he used the shamrock to illustrate the idea of the Trinity. Much else that is told of St Patrick is little more than Legendary. He died on March 17th, 493.

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Have you any new recipes for St Patrick's Day? Being short of space this week, we suggest you make a Lemon Meringue pie substituting Lime for Lemon. Real good.

School News.

Pola Andre

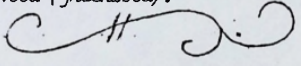
Elementary students of the DuPont-Fort Lewis School District will have an opportunity to attend Pacific Lutheran University Children's Theatre Production of King Midas at PLU Auditorium, . March 12th. Admission is 35¢ and free transportation is furnished by the District. Chaperones will be on all buses.

NEP Association meetings to be held in Portland, Oregon, March 19-23 will be attended by School Principals, Nils Olson, (Greenwood), Robert Charles (Clarkmoor) and Richard Walburn (Annex).

Miss Lois LaBreck, 4th grade teacher and Mr R. Walburn, Principal of the Annex School have applied for NDEA Scholarships to Western State College. Forty Scholarships will be awarded to teachers and supervisors in the Northwest for a special seminar on "Disadvantaged Youths."

Recent appointments in remedial instructors have been made. Mrs Keaveney will be in charge of remedial reading, and Mrs, B. McKinley will teach Mathematics, on a half day basis at the Annex School.

Three teachers from the DuPont-Ft.Lewis School District will attend the Dept of Classroom Teachers State Meetings in Yakima March 10-12. Those attending will be: Ruth Bryans, (Annex School), Alean Gann, (DuPont) and Jim Wood (Greenwood).



One blue and gray sweater
One very nice Charm Bracelet

At the Lost and Found at Munyan's.

Have you used the new Villager Box (Courtesy of Myron Smith) on ye Editor's porch? It is waiting for your News Item.

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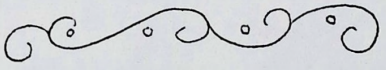
The next Community Potluck has been set for Friday 1 April. -- No Fooling!! Home Town Talent will be featured. Volunteers and suggestions invited. Please contact Pastor Dawn.



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NOTES ABOUT DUPONTERS:

Mrs Edward Mishe is home from the hospital, and is feeling much better.

Inor Bergstrom is in Lakewood Hospital. Donations of blood are needed.

Mrs Belle Roberts has returned to her home on Louviers Ave., as forecast in the last edition of The Villager. Welcome home, Mrs Roberts, and continued improvement.

Mrs Turi Larson was the honored guest of Mr and Mrs John Jecklin at a birthday dinner, Saturday, March 5th, at Lee's Restaurant. Happy Birthday, Turi!

Several of our neighbors have been laid up with the flu this past week. We were hoping it would not reach DuPont. Lets lay in a supply of Orange juice, just in case.

Speaking about being lucky at cards! Lonnie Young recently attended a card party in South Tacoma, and walked off with high prize as well as the door prize.

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Celebrates 25 years as Avon Agent.

Mrs John Jecklin, Martha to all of her friends, has completed 25 years as a representative of the Avon Company. At the recent district meeting in Tacoma, she was presented to the group and congratulated upon her unusual achievement. Few agents can compete with her years of service and the Avon Company expressed its appreciation in a letter of commendation from the Company's Headquarters.

Little did Martha expect to serve so long when she first decided to become an agent, and for a long time has looked forward to completing 25 years. Now that the goal has been achieved she is looking forward to continuing to serve all of her customers, who have become her friends as well, for many more years. Good luck, Martha!

A Party.

Mrs William Lumsdon, 302 Barksdale, was hostess to twenty-four of her friends and neighbors at a Copper-Craft party, Tuesday evening, March 1st. A very interesting and beautiful display of copperware was shown by Mrs Renate Keeley, followed by refreshments of coffee and cookies. Mrs Zelma Trimble continued her streak of good luck by winning the door prize. A pleasant evening was enjoyed by all that attended.

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The red flower in Munyan's window this past week is an African Amaryllis. Just thought you might like to know.

VISITORS IN OUR CITY.

Mrs Stanley Andre is having as house-guests, Mr and Mrs Joseph Gottfried and their daughter, Joanne, who arrived March 5th from Chicago. Mrs Gottfried is Mrs Andre's sister-in-law. This is the first trip to the Northwest for the Gottfrieds and they are enjoying its natural beauty. Mr Gottfried has been offered employment with the Boeing Company, and if all works out to their satisfaction, they plan to settle in Washington.

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Bill Nicklason and his son Peter from Hanford, Washington, spent the week end in DuPont with his Mother, Mrs Ida Nicklason and his Uncle Charlie.

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Mr and Mrs Wallace Miner (he is a DuPont Retiree) visited in town recently. Although very hard of hearing, Mr Miner seems quite well, and able to enjoy an outing now and then. He also likes company, and would be glad to visit with some of his friends. His address is 8010 Washington Ave. S. W. Tacoma. That is in the Lake City area.

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The Munyan's have had as a house guest the past few days - Mrs Florence Oakes of Juneau, Alaska. Mrs Oakes lived in DuPont in 1918, when her father, Alexander Boyd, was the town barber. Later they moved to Steilacoom. In 1922 she went to Alaska to work, and was married there in 1925. She was Secretary to the Governor of Alaska from 1927 to 1932. Later she was employed in the Tax Department, Motor Division until her retirement. She will be building a new home on Favorite Channel, near Juneau this coming summer.

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Miss Helen Taylor, who is attending Modeling School in California, made a surprise visit to see her Mother and sisters at 300 Barksdale. She explained that seeing her family was the most exciting thing that has happened for a long time, but her trip was also planned in conjunction to being present for the dedication ceremony of the new DuPont-Laughbon Theatre, and seeing her sister Phyllis, play the role of Anastasia. As a student at Laughbon High Helen was one of the Charter members of Thespian Troupe 664 and was Mr Zirkles "Girl Friday" in setting up the records for the Troupe and the Drama Class. The Thespians and their director were all surprised and pleased to see Helen, and agreed that with the groundwork Helen had done, it was only fittingly proper that she be present at the new Theatre's dedication.

From the Editor's Desk

How long is a Minute?

A minute may be long or short, depending on the situation or predicament in which you are involved. When you step in to an office and the girl says; "He'll be with you in a minute." sometimes the minute seems pretty long. To a doctor a minute may be 18 breaths of a patient, or 70 beats of the pulse, and sometimes that seems like an eternity.

It takes less than a minute to do devastating damage with a few words spoken thoughtlessly. On the other hand - it takes only a few seconds to say the never-to-be-forgotten words that will make a lasting friend, or to do the kind act that will save a person's pride.

Tomorrow morning set aside a few minutes to do someone a kindness. Pick a bouquet to take to your neighbor. Take time to sit on the porch of your house and visit a moment with a child or a lonely person. Call someone whom you have neglected and chat for a moment. Listen to someone's tale of woe, for by sympathetic listening you can often lighten the load, until it is no longer a problem.

We all have the same number of minutes; Its what we do with them that counts.

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The Editor has received a letter from Fort Rucker, Alabama, from Capt and Mrs R. Molinelli where he is an instructor in the "Huey" course. Donna writes: "We are still suffering the pangs of homesickness and it was wonderful to hear news from home..... Everything is big and impersonal here so we really do miss the wonderful village of DuPont, and the woods and familiar faces."

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More Musical Talents In Town.

More beautiful music is coming forth on Louviers St..... The Patrick Rangers have purchased a lovely Kimball Console piano for their daughter, Sharon, who is showing much musical talent. Not to be outdone, her brother Michael, is learning to play the accordian.

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Happy Birthday and a pleasant vacation to Carol Michael, DuPont Time Keeper. Mar 8th was her birthday, and she is on a well earned three weeks vacation in California.

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Word received from the vacationing Robinsons indicate that they are enjoying their sojourn in the Southland, and that they are keeping in touch with the news from home by reading The Villager.

The Pastor Ponders

Grenville A. Daun.

When one comes across something good he usually wants to share it. I am sure you will appreciate these words from Virgil Jordan:

"In these days of fear and confusion let us remember that the endless repetition of a lie or the multiplication of an empty promise does not make truth.....Truth is never determined by majorities or pluralities of popular error and appetite. Ultimately, with God's aid, it always emerges."

No sensible person would deny this. However we may be guilty of this - of thinking something is right, which is morally wrong.

A wife started working, perhaps to escape a dull routine. She experienced the exhilaration of accomplishment. Her income was also rewarding. Without her husband's knowledge she began to purchase things she wanted. Of course she tried to hide them, but the children found out, and why !

Now the question is, "Was she right.. (it was her money)? or was she being deceitful?"

I wonder! What do you think?

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Receives First Holy Communion.

Seven year old Carla Ross, daughter of Sgt and Mrs W. K. Ross received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion in the Main Post Chapel, Sunday Feb 27. In addition to her immediate family who were present for the occasion, there were two out of town guests, Carla's Aunt, Sister Mary Aquinas, and Sister Carla Marie, both of the Providence Nursing Home in Seattle. The music for the service was played by the maternal grandmother, Mrs Marguerite Bedford. A party with ice cream and cake completed the day.

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Thirty-two ladies attended the March meeting of the Women's Association of the DuPont Church. The dessert luncheon was served on card tables, each centered with a bouquet of daffodils. Vera Reay reviewed the "Bamboo Cross", a story of Viet Nam. There were a number of articles on display from Viet Nam, that were furnished by Margo Muilenburg, whose husband, Chaplain Muilenburg, is now in Viet Nam.

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Jane Daun entertained fourteen ladies at her home last Tuesday for lunch, followed by a most interesting Bible Study Session.